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## PLEADED GUILTY TO CAR THEFTS

### Walter Richards and George Lee Did So in the Police Court Today.

### BENNETT IS NOT GUILTY

**This Was His Plea and He Elected Summary Trial—He Was Allowed Out on $500 Bail.**

At this morning's session of the police court Walter Richards, jun., and George Lee pleaded guilty to stealing sugar from a car in the Grand Trunk yards in the East End last Sunday night. Both men were remanded until Wednesday next for sentence.

William Bennett, also arrested in connection with the case, pleaded not guilty and elected summary trial before Deputy Magistrate Graydon.

Bennett was released in the sum of $500 personal bail.

The fact that the three men all elected summary trial before Magistrate Graydon greatly simplified the case for the crown, as had anyone elected trial before a judge it would have complicated the examination greatly.

The greatest interest was taken in the case, and long before it opened standing room was at a premium both in the courtroom and in the spectators' gallery. A large number of railroad men were among those present.

## HERBERT J. BOYD DIED IN WINNIPEG

### Well-Known Former Londoner Succumbed to an Attack of Appendicitis.

A dispatch from Winnipeg to The Advertiser this afternoon states that Herbert J. Boyd, of Balmoral street, died in the General Hospital there this morning as a result of an operation for appendicitis.

Mr. Boyd was a son of the late H. J. Boyd, who for many years conducted a store on Dundas street, and Mrs. Annie Boyd, of 202 Richmond street.

Before going to Winnipeg he was manager for the firm of Pigot & Bryan, crockery dealers, on Dundas street, who went out of business some years ago.

After leaving the firm, Mr. Boyd went into the crockery business for himself in Winnipeg. He was taken sick at Neepawa a week ago, and appendicitis developed. On Wednesday he was operated on.

Mr. Boyd was 42 years old, and besides his wife, leaves three brothers, Fred, Harry and Dick, his mother, and two sisters.

Mrs. Boyd and the other members of the family here were notified of Mr. Boyd's critical condition, and are now on their way to Winnipeg.

Mr. Boyd was a member of the London Old Boys' Association of Winnipeg.

## QUEBEC PROVINCE AND RECIPROCITY

### Gouin Says Provincial Interests Will Be First Consideration

### BOURASSA QUESTIONS

**Thinks a Decision Should Be Reached Before Debate at Ottawa Closes.**

[Canadian Press.]

Quebec, Feb. 17.—Replying to a question put by Mr. Henri Bourassa in the House yesterday afternoon as to the attitude of the provincial movement regarding the reciprocity negotiations, which have resulted in a tentative agreement between the Dominion and the United States, and whether the Government would make any change in its decision as regards to pulpwood, Premier Gouin stated that Quebec was waiting to see what might happen at Washington and Ottawa before making any announcement, but one thing certain was that the interests of the province of Quebec would be considered first of all.

Mr. Bourassa raised the question rather unexpectedly, asking leave to call the attention of the House to the reciprocity negotiations in progress, in which Quebec was interested as regards the paper and pulp industry.

Mr. Bourassa concluded by saying he did not ask the Government to give a definite reply today, as he recognized the question required study, but he was of the opinion the provincial government should reach a decision before the conclusion of the debate at Ottawa, as on Ontario and Quebec would depend the attitude of the lumber interests regarding the treaty, as they did not know what their position was.

Premier Gouin began by replying that Quebec had not received an official intimation of the signing of the agreement.

The desire of the Government was to make Quebec the centre of the pulp and paper industry of the world—and there was no reason why it should not be accomplished, seeing that Quebec had the pulpwood and the water power. If the Government had to choose between the Dominion and the United States the choice would be for the Dominion, and if the choice lay between Quebec and Ottawa, the interest of Quebec would receive first consideration.

## ANOTHER SUMMONED IN FARMERS' BANK CASE

### Prominent Belleville Lawyer Is Charged With Violating Bank Act.

[Canadian Press.]

Toronto, Feb. 17.—The latest development in the Farmers' Bank case took place this morning, when Inspector Duncan swore out a summons for W. S. Morden, of Belleville. Morden, who is connected with the Trust and Guarantee Company, of which Hon. J. R. Stratton is president, is a very prominent Conservative lawyer of Belleville. Morden and Stratton are charged jointly with hypothecation of the bank's notes contrary to the bank act.

## NO SUCCESSOR FOR MR. JAMES H. BROWN

### Mr. W. M. Spencer Will Superintend Fairgrounds This Year.

It is understood that the Western Fair directors will not name a successor to Superintendent of Grounds James H. Brown.

It will be remembered that he tendered his resignation last fall. Since then the board have taken no notice officially of the fact. However, Mr. Brown's contract expired on Feb. 1, and it has not been renewed.

The appropriation for care of the grounds and buildings has been reduced. Mr. Brown received $900 salary, for his work.

Chairman W. M. Spencer is now allowed only $300 for assistance in looking after this work. This means that he will devote a large part of his own time to this work, and will expend the money in labor.

"I understand that the board will do away with the position of parks superintendent," said a gentleman in close touch with the fair. "Mr. Spencer will devote much of his time to this work, and will engage assistance as he needs it. It will not be necessary to make an appointment as superintendent."

The work of securing attractions for the Midway, formerly looked after by Mr. Brown, has been transferred to the special attractions committee, of which Col. W. M. Gartshore is chairman.

## CY WARMAN WARNS

**Tells Americans Annexation Talk Will Kill Reciprocity.**

[Canadian Press.]

Kansas City, Feb. 17.—In an address at the centennial dinner of the Knife and Fork Club here last night, Cy Warman, of Montreal, the poet and author, warned his auditors that the United States must silence the annexation talk if they wish Canada to accept reciprocity measures.

"I am not in favor of annexation but I am in favor of reciprocity," said Mr. Warman. "It is the greatest thing for the good of the two countries that has been proposed in the last hundred years. But if the people of this country talk annexation they will defeat the reciprocity in the Canadian House. Don't spoil a good thing by wanting too much."

## Temperance People Complain of Sir James

Toronto, Feb. 17.—President Joseph Gibson, of the Ontario branch of the Dominion Alliance, used vigorous language in commenting on the reception given the temperance deputation which waited on the Ontario Government yesterday morning.

"The answer that Premier Whitney made to us," said Mr. Gibson, "was not worthy of a 10-year-old schoolboy. The Premier and Hon. Mr. Hanna practically spat in our faces, and I shall never be anxious to go back to them. They have not played the game fairly. We have made the progress which they said would entitle us to new legislation, but which they have now practically refused. The Government is unworthy of the support of any person who has at heart the cause of temperance."

Mrs. D. Walterhouse, of Guelph, the only lady delegate who took part in the discussion, stoutly affirmed that the only temperance legislation ever passed in Ontario was effected by the Liberals.

The report of the special committee on political action reaffirmed the present platform of the alliance and advised the formation of a committee to take part in provincial politics, after a discussion regarding the nomination of independent temperance candidates in the next provincial election.

The election of officers resulted as follows: Honorary president, President F. S. Spence, Toronto; president, Jos. Gibson, Ingersoll; secretary, Ben. H. Spence, Toronto; treasurer, Theron Gibson.

## THE U. S. HOUSE COMMITTEE KILLS BENNET RESOLUTION

### Proposal to Open Negotiations With Great Britain With a View to Annexation Voted Down 9 to 1.

[Canadian Press.]

Washington, Feb. 17.—The House committee on foreign affairs today voted 9 to 1 against the Bennet resolution for Canadian annexation negotiations with Great Britain.

To offset the Canadian annexation talk which the administration feared might affect the reciprocity agreement, the House committee on foreign affairs today, by a vote of 9 to 1, reported adversely on the resolutions introduced yesterday by Representative Bennet, of New York, for the opening of negotiations with Great Britain looking to the annexation of Canada.

Mr. Bennet was the only member of the committee who voted for the resolutions, and the committee's action followed conferences of Chairman Foster of the committee, and Acting Chairman McCall, of the ways and means committee, with President Taft today.

## LIBRARIAN CARSON ADDRESSES WORKERS

### Good Work Is Being Done to Popularize the Library in London.

Librarian Carson, of the public library, gave a short address before a meeting of the employees of the McClary foundry Thursday in which he drew attention to the books in the library on mechanical and other subjects of interest to mechanical workers.

Mr. Carson pointed out how the men employed in the McClary and other foundries may increase their efficiency and advance themselves accordingly through making use of the department of the public library, in which books have been placed for their reference and use. Vocal solos were rendered by Miss Kathleen McLaughlin, library assistant, and violin instrumentals by Miss Clara McPhillips, pianist.

Today Mr. Carson addressed the men employed in the C. P. R. carshops, and it is the intention of the library staff and his assistants to hold meetings at other factories and foundries in order to interest the workers in the advantages offered by the local public library.

## PETER AND VICTOR TOAST ONE ANOTHER

**Gala Dinner to Celebrate Anniversary of Rome as Capital.**

[Canadian Press.]

Rome, Feb. 17.—King Victor Emmanuel and King Peter of Servia exchanged toasts, in which they spoke of the friendship existing between the two ruling houses, and referred to the peaceful conditions which permitted the development of their respective countries. King Peter added a greeting to Rome, which is celebrating the 50th anniversary of her proclamation as the capital of the united kingdom.

## THE WEATHLR.

**Tomorrow—Colder.**

Toronto, Feb. 17.—The high area has drawn eastward to the St. Lawrence Valley from the Middle States, and a shallow low area is now moving quickly eastward across the Great Lakes. The temperature has become much colder in Western Canada, the Maritime Provinces, Ontario and Quebec remaining fairly mild.

FORECASTS.

Georgian Bay, Lake Superior—Westerly winds; fair and colder.

Lower Lakes—Fresh to strong westerly winds; fair and colder.

Upper St. Lawrence and Ottawa Valleys—Westerly winds; fair and colder.

Lower St. Lawrence and Gulf—Southerly to westerly winds; light snow or sleet, colder.

Maritime—Fresh to strong southwesterly winds; milder. Saturday—Southerly winds; mild, with light local falls.

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER.

From Lake Superior eastward there was a slight rise in temperature yesterday, accompanied by fair weather. In the Western Provinces temperatures were low in the morning but rose considerably during the day. A disturbance now centred in Iowa is likely to cause milder and unsettled weather in the lake region.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: London, 22—36; Victoria, 34—44; Vancouver, 34—42; Kamloops, 6—32; Edmonton, 4—18; Calgary, 6 below—24; Prince Albert, 1 below—12; Qu'Appelle, 4 below—18; Moosejaw, 10 below—22; Winnipeg, zero—20; Port Arthur, 20—34; Parry Sound, 16—30; Toronto, 17—36; Ottawa, 14 below—20; Montreal, 2 below—14; Quebec, 8 below—16; St. John, 4—24; Halifax, zero—26.

TODAY'S PROBS.

The East: Northwest winds; fair and a little milder.

Lake Superior: Northerly winds; comparatively mild, with light sleet or rain.

The West: Fair and milder.

## MEXICAN TROOPS ARE IN RETREAT

### Vega Severely Wounded By an Insurrecto Bullet.

[Canadian Press.]

Mexico, Feb. 17.—Defeated and in full retreat, the army of Governor Vega, of Lower California, was hurrying back last night toward Ensenada by way of the Cocopah mountain pass, southwest of here. Vega himself is severely wounded.

This was confirmed today by couriers who got into communication with the fleeing federals. One insurrecto bullet pierced Vega's neck and another his left side.

## KAISER TO VISIT BRITISH SOVEREIGNS

### Will Be Present at Unveiling of a Memorial to Queen Victoria.

[Canadian Press.]

London, Feb. 17.—The recent announcement that Emperor William would attend the ceremony of unveiling the Victoria memorial in front of Buckingham Palace on May 16 was confirmed officially today.

The German emperor will be welcomed by his cousins, among whom his majesty is personally very popular. He will be accompanied by Empress Augusta Victoria, and it is expected that the two will be the guests of King George and Queen Mary for several days after the unveiling.

## MANY NEW BRIDGES FOR THE COUNTY

### Engineer Talbot Is Now Hard at Work On the Plans.

County Engineer Charles Talbot is busy preparing plans for bridges to and 50 bridges, ranging in length from 20 to 200 feet, which are to be erected on the roads throughout the county this summer.

Work will not be commenced until June as it is impossible to get men to go into the cold water before the real warm weather commences. All the bridges are either steel or concrete, as Middlesex has not built a wooden bridge in years. The bridge over the Thames at what is known as the Giles site, between Caradoc and Delaware Townships, will not be erected until next year, as the contract will not be let until December.

## SEWERS NOBY RUSH OF WATER

### Rain of Last Night and Today Made City Engineer Hustle.

The city engineers department had a busy day today.

The heavy rain of last night, together with the melting snow, caused an abnormal amount of water to be going through the sewers, and as a result Mr. Van Clove and his assistants had to do some tall hustling to get it away.

However, the system worked splendidly, and consequently there were few complaints.

"The water is being taken away most satisfactorily," declared Mr. Van Clove. "We have had a large force of men at work, and all the gutters have been opened. In one or two places the water was very deep, but on the whole everything is much better than we anticipated. Few cellars are flooded, and little inconvenience has been caused."

**Weekly Whist.**

The South London Liberals will hold their weekly whist match this evening. A large attendance is looked for.

## WRECK VICTIMS WERE BURIED TODAY

### The Funerals of Messrs. Henry Weymark and Gilbert Jones, Late of the C. P. R.

### IMPRESSIVE SERVICES

**One Body Taken to Havelock, Ont., and the Other Interred in Woodland Cemetery.**

The funerals of Section Foreman Henry Weymark, of the C. P. R., and Sectionman Gilbert Jones were held today, and were very largely attended.

The remains of Mr. Weymark were taken to the C. P. R. station and will be interred at Havelock, Ont., where he formerly resided.

An impressive service was conducted at the home, at 844 Elias street, by Rev. Thomas Mitchell, of the New St. James' Presbyterian Church.

The Masonic service was conducted by Worshipful Master E. W. G. Quantz of St. George's Lodge. The pallbearers were chosen from St. George's Lodge, and from the various railway brotherhoods.

The funeral of Mr. Jones was held at 1.30 this afternoon from the family residence, 931 Princess avenue, to Woodland Cemetery, and the services were conducted by Rev. G. N. Hazen of the Centennial Methodist Church, of which Mr. Jones was formerly a member. The pallbearers were chosen from the various railway brotherhoods.

Both Mr. Weymark and Mr. Jones were held in the highest esteem, not only by railwaymen, but by a host of friends throughout the city. Wreaths from railway fraternal organizations, C. P. R. officials, and local lodges and friends were received in larger numbers, and the rooms in which the remains of the two comrades lay were banked with flowers.

Railwaymen and officials from all over the district attended the funeral.

## APPEAL WAS DISMISSED BROWN WINS HIS CASE

### Man Who Beat Way to London Secures $1,000 From the C. P. R.

At Osgoode Hall on Thursday in the divisional court, before Mulock, C.J., Britton, J., Sutherland, J., in the case of Brown vs. Canadian Pacific Railway Company. An appeal by defendants from the judgment of Teetzel, J., of Nov. 29, 1910. Plaintiff got upon a freight train of defendants going from Toronto to London, as defendants allege, without their knowledge or consent, and alleged that defendants' servants compelled him to jump from said train while it was passing through Galt, by which he fell and had his right arm cut off at the elbow, and he claimed $5,000 damages.

At the trial he was awarded $1,000 and the costs of trial and former trial.

Judgment: Appeal dismissed with costs.

## "U" IS UNNECESSARY SAY SCHOOLMASTERS

### Local Journals Are Complimented on Spelling Followed.

The following resolution was passed by the Schoolmasters Club of this city at their annual meeting held at the Normal School on Feb. 14. The resolution was moved by Vice-Principal Dearness, of the Normal School, and seconded by Dr. R. A. Little, of the London Collegiate Institute:

"The Schoolmasters' Club desires to express to the publishers of the journals of this city its approval of their practice of spelling words as labor, governor, honor, etc., with the "u" omitted, and further, begs to suggest that they take steps to introduce additional simplifications and improvement of the spelling of some common words, for example, program, catalog, tho, altho, thru, theatre, meter, centre, theatre.

## TEN DAYS HARD LABOR FOR THIS BOOKMAKER

### The Court Refuses to Let Jake Saunders Off With a Fine.

[Canadian Press.]

Toronto, Feb. 17.—Jake Saunders, the well-known bookmaker, was this morning sentenced to ten days' hard labor by Police Magistrate Denison on a charge of keeping a common gaming house at 438 Yonge street. Saunders pleaded guilty, and his counsel, T. C. Robinette, made a vigorous plea to the magistrate to impose a fine and heavy bonds on Saunders, who would undertake that the offence would not be repeated. The magistrate was adamant. "It would be just a farce to fine Saunders, who is a man of substance," said the magistrate. "We must make an example of Saunders. The evidence shows that the business has been carried on for years, and men have lost as much as $75 in a night. I will not be severe, but I won't fine under the circumstances. He will go to jail for ten days' hard labor."

## NEW MANAGEMENT OF ST. THOMAS HOTEL

[Special to The Advertiser.]

St. Thomas, Feb. 17.—Mr. John McCoig, of Chatham, has taken possession of the Grand Central Hotel here, and will succeed Mr. Frank Babcock as manager. Mr. McCoig is one of the best known hotelmen in Western Ontario, and has already made decided improvements in the hotel.

## COULD NOT DISCUSS THE MIDLAND BILL

### Directors of the Company Have Not as Yet Seen a Copy of the Agreement.

### CITY IS WELL SATISFIED

**Mr. Meredith Has Apparently Safeguarded the Interests of the People.**

The draft agreement with the North Midland Railway, covering the guaranteeing of $200,000 worth of bonds for the road, is accepted as most satisfactory at the city hall, and according to the opinions of aldermen and others, it will absolutely protect the city.

Several amendments were suggested at the meeting yesterday afternoon, and they will be embodied, or, at least, many of them will be included in the final draft to be worked out this afternoon by the finance committee, when City Solicitor Meredith will be present.

No opinion would be ventured by the directors of the North Midland on the document. As a matter of fact, they have not seen a draft of it, and all the information they could get was that given by the press.

The newspapers were not given a copy of the proposed agreements either.

Mr. T. H. Luscombe, solicitor for the company, was interviewed, and stated that as he had not seen a copy of the document, he could not discuss its terms.

**Agreement a Secret.**

"For some reason or other, the committee are keeping the agreement a secret," declared Mr. Luscombe. "We have been unable to obtain a copy, and as a result we are completely in the dark as to its contents. We have endeavored to see the draft, but without results. I could not discuss the terms until I had the document before me. I cannot say whether it is fair or unfair. As a matter of fact, I know nothing whatever about it."

A reporter endeavored to enlighten Mr. Luscombe as to some of the clauses in the agreement, but he refused to discuss their fairness or unfairness until he had seen the papers. "You see it would be impossible to discuss it intelligently until I had a copy," he said. "A clause that might seem unfair might prove satisfactory when the whole agreement is considered. I cannot discuss it now."

The other directors of the company were as completely in the dark as Mr. Luscombe.

However, the finance committee consider the proposed terms perfectly satisfactory.

**All Right For City.**

"I think we have a good agreement," declared Ald. Eckert, the chairman. "Of course, I do not know what the company will say of it, but from our standpoint, it is eminently satisfactory. There are certain amendments to the draft agreement that will be made this afternoon, and if they are put in, we will not be badly protected. We have made every effort to settle the question properly.

"We have not sent a copy to the North Midland as yet. We have not prefected it, and until we do so, it would be unwise to give it out. The directors may attend the meeting of the committee this afternoon, if they so desire, and hear the discussion.

"So far as I can see, the only objection might be on the score of fares. Five cents for 3 miles may be considered low, but we have nothing at all to do with that. The Legislature fixes that. I am satisfied with the agreement."

**Protecting the People.**

"The agreement looks satisfactory," declared Ald. Bennett. "We have suggested a few changes, and if they go through, as I expect they will, the citizens will have nothing to fear.

"Nothing has been done in secrecy, in every instance," said Mayor Beatty. "Nothing has been omitted so far as I can see that will help our side."

Ald. Hodgins found no fault with the agreement, but he thought that the city should insist upon the right to exercise the letting of tenders. He suggested that amendment, and it was agreed to.

"We must view the matter very carefully," he stated. "There were certain amendments suggested, and I see no objection to them whatever. We must protect the city, and in the agreement we have kept the public interest in mind first, last and all the time. It is satisfactory from our standpoint."

Some of the important features of the agreement in brief are as follows:

**A Summary.**

The agreement does not come into force until five miles of the road are constructed.

The bonds guaranteed by the city are not to be given to the company until the line between London and St. Marys has been passed by the Government and is in full operation.

The debentures are to be handed to the city by the company as soon as the agreement is confirmed, and then placed in trust in a trust company.

The money is to be paid over to the company pro rata with other debentures. This means that if the bond issue is subscribed at once, the city will turn over their money, provided the road is completed. The city will not pay over its amount until all the money is raised on bonds.

The service is to be at least 1½ hours in summer and 2 hours in winter. The first car must arrive in London not later than 8.45 a.m.

There is to be an interchange of freights with other roads, radial and steam.

The company must take power from the city. A limit has been put on that, as Stratford and St. Marys may want to share. London will supply power for one-half of the road.

The city has the right to build crossings over the road, said crossings to be maintained by the company.

Eight tickets for a quarter are to be issued to students up to a distance of 5 miles.

All the company's shops, car barns, etc., are to be maintained in London.

The city is to have a first mortgage, properly executed, on all the company's assets.

## PLAN TO MODIFY SOME COMMANDMENTS

[Canadian Press.]

London, Feb. 17.—The convocation of Canterbury now sitting in Westminster, under the presidency of the Archbishop of Canterbury, is discussing, among other matters, a proposal to modify and shorten the second, fourth and tenth commandments.

## FARMERS' BANK CASE REOPENS SEVERAL SUMMONED NOT THERE

### Correspondence Between Government and Travers Introduced and Evidence Given as to the Connection of Trust Company and Bank's Affairs.

[Canadian Press.]

Toronto, Feb. 17.—There was a long session in the case against Hon. J. R. Stratton, James J. Warren, president, and manager, respectively, of the Trusts and Guarantee Company, and the four provisional directors of the Farmers' Bank today on the charge of Farmers' Bank today on the charge of fraud the certificate from the treasury department in order that the bank might start up in business. Inspector Duncan was the chief witness, and he put in no less than twenty-three exhibits, being books and documents belonging to the bank and the Trusts and Guarantee Company, showing the various transactions that had taken place between the two concerns. The evidence is intended to show that the bank never had the necessary amount of capital, but that the money had been put up simply by the Trust Company, and for which service they were paid 10 per cent interest, and a bonus of $1,000.

Secretary Treasurer McKnight, of the Bankers' Association, the last witness before adjournment, told of the inquiry he had made in the interests of the association, and with the knowledge of the finance department. He had had interviews with Dr. Beattie Nesbitt and Travers, and had been shown the deposit slip indicating a deposit with the Trusts and Guarantee Company of $80,000. The case will be resumed tomorrow.

"Are you ready, Mr. Corley?" asked the magistrate at 11:45.

Inspector Duncan, stepping into the witness box: "There's an amendment to be made by adding the name of W. J. Lindsay, although he is not here."

After the amendment to the information had been made the magistrate read out the names of John Watson, John Ferguson, Alex. Fraser, A. S. Lown and Clark E. Smith.

"He's not here," said Mr. Corley.

"Beattie Nesbitt?"

"He's not here, either."

"J. J. Warren, J. R. Stratton, and W. J. Lindsay."

After these names had been read out the defendants sat down and the following charge was read to them:

"Did conspire, conciderate and agree together to obtain by false representation, deceit and fraud, from or through the treasury board of the Dominion Bank of Canada, the certificate required in order to enable the Farmers' Bank to open up business under the provisions of the bank act, to the detriment of the public."

"I o you plead guilty or not guilty?"

"Not guilty."

**The Exhibits.**

Inspector Duncan was first called, and proceeded to identify certain exhibits.

"On page 85 of the minute book of the provisional directors," said he, "is the following mation, moved and seco-

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## LOCAL TEMPERANCE PEOPLE DISAPPOINTED IN WHITNEY

### In Every Place Where There Has Not Been a Local Option Vote Taken the Question Will Be Put Before the People in Middlesex Next January.

Local temperance people are not at all pleased with the reception the temperance delegates received Thursday when they waited on Premier Whitney and urged him to abolish the three-fifths clause and enforce provincial prohibition.

"Notwithstanding the Premier's attitude we are going to go ahead with local option campaigns we are planning all over the province," said one of the leading workers to The Advertiser this afternoon.

"In every place where there has not been a vote taken we will place the question before the people, and let them decide. In Middlesex a very vigorous campaign will be waged and we hope to commence the work immediately and continue it right through the year.

**Clean Sweep Planned.**

"Special addresses will be given by the most powerful temperance speakers we can secure and the temperance forces everywhere will work as they have never worked before. We are planning to make a clean sweep in Ontario, and if hard work will do it we will win. This is by far the biggest and most aggressive campaign we have ever undertaken, and we are going to conduct it throughout with system. We have a majority of the municipalities in Ontario now, and after Jan. 1, 1912, we hope to have nearly all of them.

**Prospects in London.**

Asked regarding the possibilities of a campaign in London those spoken to said they did not know as yet.

"A number of the members of the local society are very strongly in favor of taking a vote. Others favor a delay on the ground that every year strengthens their position, and if there is a clean sweep of the district next year they can concentrate all their efforts on London.

"It is admitted by those most closely in touch with the situation that London would be the scene of a battle royal if a vote was asked.

**If They Won in London.**

"The brewers and hotelmen would leave no stone unturned to defeat us here," said a leading temperance worker to The Advertiser. "If we ever won in this city it would be the last great fight in Western Ontario. Many think we could win now. Others think it would be better to wait. In the meantime there is nothing really definite as to what policy we will pursue in regard to London.

## RUMOR OF FURTHER CHARGES IN THE OXFORD GRAFT CASES

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Woodstock, Feb. 17.—M. T. Buchanan, Byron B. McCarty, James Vance and John Young, arrested on charges of bribery, perjury and graft, following the investigation of Judge Snider some weeks ago, appeared before P. M. Ball this morning for their preliminary hearing. Crown Attorney Ball informed the court when the session opened that he was unable to go on, owing to the fact that he had not received a copy of the evidence taken at the inquiry. An adjournment was asked for and P. M. Ball set the date for the hearing on March 3.

It is rumored here that the crown is preparing other charges, and that before the next session of the court these will be laid.

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